

## SIX TOWNS DESTROYED

In Cuba by Hurricanes and Another is Feared

## HAVANA IS IN A PANIC

Cities on the Coast of Florida Are Endangered, Key West in Particular Being Feared For—Another Storm Forming.

Havana, Oct. 18.—With more than a hundred people estimated to be dead and with the property loss in the millions from two terrific hurricanes that swept Cuba in the last week, a third hurricane even worse than the two is said to be forming south of Jamaica. Havana is in a panic as a repetition of the damage may be well befalling the island. There is difficulty in getting accounts of the deaths and damage by the last storm, but it is known that six towns were wiped out, and it is feared there was heavy loss of life along the coast. The wires are all down.

It is impossible to estimate even roughly the amount of the damage, which doubtless will aggregate many millions of dollars. Besides the great destruction to sugar and tobacco plantations, many thousands of peasants in the three western provinces have been rendered homeless and destitute by the loss of their homes and the food crops, especially plantains and corn. It now seems probable that the republic may be compelled to request international aid for the relief of these sufferers whose condition is most deplorable.

While all communication with the interior has been cut off, there is reason to hope that Oriente, Camaguey and Santa Clara have escaped the greater fury of the storm. In the city of Havana, the losses probably will exceed a million dollars, mainly due to the destruction of the customs house sheds, which were filled with perishable goods, the sinking of scores of life boats, many of them containing valuable cargoes, which had been unloaded from steamers, and the submerging of about one square mile of the residential section of the city facing the sea. The flooding of this section was caused by the tremendous waves, which when the wind suddenly veered yesterday afternoon, were driven with tremendous violence over the Malecon wall, inundating as well as a great portion of the suburb Vedado.

Vedado, a residential suburb, was exposed to the full fury of the storm. The sea advanced some hundred yards inland, demolishing many small structures and probably causing a loss of life. The rumor that the city had been struck by a tidal wave added to the general panic which was already spreading. At three o'clock when the wind changed and the waters ceased to rise, the upper part of the Prado was filled with throngs of panic-stricken negroes, carrying such household effects as they could rescue from their own homes.

The jail at the foot of the Prado was completely surrounded by water and the prisoners, many with fear, clung to the barred windows, clamorously demanding to be removed to a place of safety. It was feared for a time that the prisoners would break loose but armed guards held them in check until the waters began to recede.

At the height of the storm the great waves breached cleaned over the ramparts of Morro Castle. They rolled with terrific speed up the harbor, tumbling over the sides of the city, carrying away many of the small craft along the shores and swamping many lighters which escaped the blow during the earlier hours. All the steamers in the harbor remained at anchor, the engines were working and holding their ground.

Jacksonville, Fla., Oct. 18.—Grave fears are entertained for the safety of Key West and other southern cities from the fierce hurricane, which is sweeping the Gulf coast. Wires are down everywhere south of Titusville, which makes the extent of the loss to life and property uncertain, but it is believed to be great.

St. Augustine, Fla., Oct. 18.—The lower part of this city is submerged from the fierce hurricane along the coast and there is an immense damage to shipping and property. Three laborers are reported dead and it is feared there has been a heavy loss of life among the workmen on the East Coast railroad.

## WALKED OFF INTO SPACE.

F. A. Elliott Killed by Falling from Open Window at Providence.

Providence, R. I., Oct. 18.—Mistaking an open second-story window for a doorway as he was departing from 15 Lopez street, Frank A. Elliott, alias Roach, a cripple, plunged headlong to the ground. He died at the hospital yesterday afternoon at 1:10. According to the report made by the police of the station, Elliott went into the house to beg, and was unfamiliar with the stairway. He was 35 and homeless.

Frank E. Bailey, driver for horse 19, had a narrow escape from serious injury yesterday, when the snaplock on a collar of one of his horses broke while going to a fire, and the horses pulled the driver from his seat and he landed on the pole between the horses.

John Pisonier fell from an apple tree in Johnston yesterday and was taken to the hospital suffering from a fracture of the skull at the base of the brain, from which he died.

John Murray, employed at the Olneyville hotel, fell from the second floor of the building, where he was washing windows. He sustained a fracture of the leg and other injuries.

Herbert Miller of this city, employed by the Providence Telephone company, lost his hold on a pole while working in Bristol and pitched to the ground, landing heavily on his side. He is dying at the hospital here.

## DERRY, N. H., BOY SHOT.

He Threw Gun on the Ground and It Was Discharged.

Derry, Oct. 18.—Charles Henry Chase, the 17-year-old son of Fred E. Chase of 17 Beacon street, was dangerously wounded with a charge from his shotgun at about 9 o'clock last night.

Young Chase had some traps set for skunks or muskrats on Flood's meadow, about a quarter of a mile from the depot, and took his gun at about the time it was getting dark and started to visit them. In one of the traps he found a skunk, and thinking he would kill the animal with a club rather than the gun so as to save injuring the skin, he threw down the gun, which was discharged, the heavy load of shot making a jagged wound in his left leg.

Arthur Gilbert heard the report and the boy's cry for help and hurried to the spot on his wheel. Officers Frank Bergeron and Nott George were notified and securing a team, took the wounded boy to the office of Dr. C. E. Newell, where the wound was dressed by Dr. Newell and Dr. W. R. Sanders.

The shot cut an artery and the boy lost a large quantity of blood, but it is thought he will recover.

## BURNED HERSELF TO DEATH.

Woman Soaks Her Clothing in Oil and Applies Match.

South Barre, Mass., Oct. 18.—Mrs. Eliza Smith, wife of the postmaster, Harry Smith, saturated her clothing with kerosene and then set fire to it yesterday. Her cries reached the ears of George Smith, a brother-in-law, who wrapped her in blankets and extinguished the flames, but she was so badly burned that she lived but a few minutes.

Mrs. Smith had been in ill health for a long time, and was to have been removed to a sanatorium. She was 28 years of age, a native of Bradford, Eng., and the mother of three children.

## TWO BULLETS FOR THE GIRL

Mary Pickard, His Sweetheart, of Whom He Was Insanely Jealous, Is Dying at a Hospital in Providence.

Providence, R. I., Oct. 18.—Because he was insanely jealous of the woman, Peter George today shot his sweetheart, Mary Pickard, and then fired a bullet into his own brain. The murderer died shortly afterwards, and the girl was removed to the hospital and is said to be dying. Two shots from George's revolver struck the woman in the neck. Both George and Miss Pickard were employed in a local ice cream parlor, and the former was undoubtedly driven to his act by jealousy.

## KILLED IN RUNAWAY.

Johnson Wells, Aged 20, Victim at Hillsboro, N. H.

Hillsboro, N. H., Oct. 18.—Taking fright at a passing automobile, a horse driven by Johnson Wells, aged 70, ran away yesterday, killing Wells and fatally injuring his housekeeper, Mrs. Lydia Philbrick, who is also 70 years of age.

They reside in Hillsboro Lower Village, four miles from the center of the town, and late yesterday drove in town on business. They were passing through Main street when the horse started to run. The carriage struck a tree and Wells' skull was fractured. He died without having regained consciousness.

Mrs. Philbrick landed on a concrete sidewalk, and she, too, is thought to have sustained a fracture of the skull as well as other injuries. She has not yet regained consciousness. Wells was a retired farmer.

## DRUGGED AND ROBBED.

Family at Waterville, Me., Awoke with Heavy Heads.

Waterville, Me., Oct. 18.—After drugging all of the inmates of the house so that they would not be disturbed in their work, burglars early yesterday ransacked a boarding house conducted by Mrs. J. H. Ingalls at 3 Appleton street. So well did the scheme of putting their victims into a sound sleep work that the intruders were able to move about the house at will, stealing money and valuables from the very bedrooms of the unconscious lodgers.

Yesterday morning Mrs. Ingalls and all of her lodgers woke up with heavy heads and a slight feeling of illness, but they soon recovered their senses when they saw what had taken place while they slept.

No trace of any drug can be found in the house, and it is believed something was thrown into the furnace, filling the house with fumes that kept the sleepers from waking.

## "FORGET YESTERDAY'S GAME"

And Go After 'Em To-day Manager Chance to the Cubs.

Philadelphia, Oct. 18.—"Forget yesterday's game and go after 'em to-day" was the slogan sounded by Manager Frank Chance of the crestfallen Chicago Cubs, who were defeated by the Philadelphia Athletics yesterday afternoon in the opening game of the world series. It is believed that the defeat yesterday will raise a fiercer battle to-day. Jack Combs will probably be Mack's box artist. His season's record is little behind that of the Indian, Bender, who pitched his team to success yesterday. The Chicago twirler is expected to be three-fingered Brown.

The gates at Shibe park were opened at 10 this morning, and more than 13,000 fans had gathered by noon. The indications were that to-day's crowd would be bigger than yesterday's.

## CRIPPEN TRIAL ON.

Fleaded Not Guilty, Fate Probably Known Within a Week.

London, Oct. 18.—The trial of Dr. H. H. Crippen for the murder of Belle Elmore, the variety actress, opened to-day. The prisoner pleaded not guilty. The jury completed their case and the counsel opened for their own. It is expected that Crippen's fate will be known within a week.

## SHIP-WRECKED AND RESCUED

Walter Wellman Being Brought Back to Port

## HE WAS PICKED UP AT SEA

Steamer Trent Got Distress Signal and Went to Rescue of the Air Navigator, Getting Him at 5 a. m. To-day.

New York, Oct. 18.—A wireless message from the royal mail steamer Trent says it has rescued Walter Wellman and the crew of the dirigible balloon America, which set sail from Atlantic City for Europe last Saturday. Previously, the Atlantic transport liner Mesaba picked up a message from the America to the steamer Hellig Glav, west-bound. The America was then northwest of Sable island.

The steamer Trent wired here that at 5 o'clock this morning it sighted the America in distress. The America signalled by the Morse code, asking assistance. After three hours manoeuvring in fresh winds, he got Wellman, the entire crew and the mascot cat. All were well.

The balloon America was abandoned in latitude 35:53 north, longitude 68:17 west.

## TEN BALLOONS UP.

Fifth International Race Starts at St. Louis.

St. Louis, Oct. 18.—The fifth international balloon race for the James G. Thompson Bennett cup and \$4,000 in three prizes was started here late yesterday, when ten large aerostats, representing four countries of Europe and America, ascended amid the plaudits of thousands of spectators. The balloons sailed toward the north and northwest, and were out of sight within a few minutes after the words "let go" were given by the pilots.

## 20 PER CENT GAIN FOR MASSACHUSETTS

Population of the State Is 3,366,416, Giving the State Two More Congressmen, Says the Census Bureau To-day.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 18.—The census bureau has given out the population of Massachusetts as 3,366,416, an increase of 561,070, or 20 per cent, giving the state two more congressmen. By counties the population is: Berkshire, 10,529; Bristol, 318,573; Hampshire, 63,327; Hampden, 231,369; Plymouth, 144,337; Suffolk, 731,388; Worcester, 599,657.

## GLOVER WILL CASE DEC 13.

Must Proceed Then and Testimony of Hattie LeBlanc Will Be Admitted.

Boston, Oct. 18.—Judge Morton in supreme court in East Cambridge to-day continued the Glover will case to December 13, when it must proceed. On that date the supreme court will pass on the legality of the admission of the testimony of Hattie LeBlanc, under indictment for killing Clarence F. Glover of Waltham.

## HAMLIN WITHDRAWS, FOSS NOMINATED

Vahey Is Now Trying to Get Mansfield to Withdraw in Favor of Foss

for Governor in Massachusetts.

Boston, Oct. 18.—Charles S. Hamlin withdrew this afternoon, and E. N. Foss will be nominated by the Democratic convention for governor of Massachusetts. The only demand by the Hamlin forces was that Riley withdraw in favor of Cassidy for lieutenant-governor, so that the ticket will be Foss and Cassidy. Vahey is now trying to get Mansfield to agree to withdraw in favor of Foss.

## TROUBLE IN PERSIA.

International Complications Looked For. Appeal to Germany, vs. England.

Teheran, Persia, Oct. 18.—The cabinet will appeal to Germany against England's apparent intention to divide Persia with Russia. It is believed that Germany, Austria and Turkey are acting together so they can prevent any grab. The attitude of the Persian cabinet is the result of an ultimatum from England that order must prevail throughout her sphere of influence in the country, failing which she will occupy the territory. It is thought that serious international complications may follow.

## RUSSELL WILL CASE CONTINUED.

No Settlement Yet With Dakota Dan, According to Counsel.

Boston, Oct. 18.—Judge Morton to-day continued the Daniel Blake Russell case until April. Robert Nason, counsel for William C. Russell, denies any acknowledgment of a settlement with Dakota Dan.

Emerson W. Peake, while splitting wood last week at his home in Brattleboro, was struck on the lid of one eye by a flying splinter. The blow caused a hemorrhage of the eye and Mr. Peake was taken to the Memorial hospital. He has been blind in one eye for a number of years and it was feared that the injury would leave him sightless, but it seems that he will not suffer any lasting results from it.

## TO ASK FOR MORE POWER

For the Vermont Public Service Commission—A Burlington Move.

Burlington, Oct. 18.—A proposal to increase the power of the Vermont public service commission has originated in this city by the committee which is trying to get a new union railroad station here. The committee held a meeting last night, at which it was decided to draft necessary legislation for presentation to the legislature, and the following committee was named to draw up the proposed amendment, Secretary Cowles of the commercial club, City Attorney Vilas and John Whalen.

In addition to the present powers with which the public service commission is vested, the proposed amendment would specify that where two or more railroads connect, they shall, if so ordered by the public service commission, provide at the junction point a joint depot. Also, if such depot is a joint depot and the railroads cannot agree in providing such accommodations and for the maintenance and use thereof, the said commissioners may apportion the cost thereof, and the expense of the maintenance of the same between the several roads, and provide the manner in which it shall be maintained and used.

In other words, the proposed legislation would give to the public service commission the same power over the railroads as it now possesses over the electric street car lines. With the addition of the foregoing amendment no change in the law relating to the powers of the public service commission is proposed.

Mr. Cowles stated that he had communicated with 15 public service commissions in other states with a view to ascertaining what the law is in these states relating to the powers of the commissions over union stations. He states the law was originally drafted to cover this point, while in others a special act of the legislature was needed.

## NEVER SAW HUSBAND SOBER

Except In Morning Before He Could Get a Drink.

Burlington, Oct. 18.—Chittenden county court convened yesterday afternoon at two o'clock and the jury was discharged and paid off, the members of that body smiling expansively. During the present term of court only three state cases and one civil suit have been tried by jury. There were a large number of cases on both the jury calendar and the state docket, but many of the former were settled or continued and in many of the latter the respondents pleaded guilty or the cases were held over.

Otto Stone, or Blum, who was tried and convicted on a charge of petit larceny, was brought into court and sentenced yesterday. He was sentenced to not less than two and a half months, or more than three months, in jail.

There is another information waiting for him when he comes out, the respondents pleaded guilty or the cases were held over.

Late yesterday afternoon there was a hearing in the divorce case of Chylleane E. Hardacre vs. Jeremiah M. Hardacre, J. J. Knight appearing for the petitioner. There was no appearance for the petitioner. The parties were married March 3, 1908, and for over a year lived together in this city. Whiskey was the cause of the divorce.

Witnesses testified that she had seen the petitioner sober except early in the morning before he could get a drink. No decision was given.

## RAILROAD TWICE SUED.

One Suit Is for \$20,000, and the Other for \$10,000.

Bennington, Oct. 18.—The writs in two negligence suits for big damages were filed yesterday with county clerk J. J. Shanks against the Bennington & North Adams Street Railway company, a branch of the Berkshire Street Railway company. One of the suits grows out of the accident at the Vermont Soldiers' Home crossing in this village where, on the evening of May 30 last, a trolley car on the Bennington & Moosuc Valley branch hit an automobile containing four passengers and a driver. The suit is brought by one of the passengers, Miss Kate Knapp of Bennington, who sustained a broken arm, a broken nose and other injuries.

Her brother, Henry C. Knapp, was almost instantly killed at the time and a sister, Miss Kate McGuire, received a broken wrist, severe bruises and concussion of the brain, which at the time it was believed would result fatally.

William D. Newton of Bennington, the driver of the automobile, has been a physical wreck ever since the accident and his mental condition is such that his business affairs have been placed in charge of a guardian. Miss Knapp places her damages at \$10,000 and the case will probably be heard at the December term of county court. T. W. Maloney of Rutland is counsel for the plaintiff.

The other suit is brought by Mrs. Wealtha Slocum at Shaftsbury, who was a passenger on a Bennington & North Adams street railway car in the city of North Adams when the car, loaded with a steam roller, October 29, 1909. Mrs. Slocum places her damages at \$20,000 and claims that she has been permanently crippled because of a broken limb, injured spine and shock. T. W. Maloney of Rutland appears for the petitioner.

## QUARRELED OVER HENS.

She Says He Shot at Her, and He Denies the Allegation.

St. Albans, Oct. 18.—There was a general round-up of Saturday night offenders in city court yesterday morning before Judge N. N. Post. John Law of Fairfield, James Tagus, John Wilkes, John Conlon and John McCarthy were each fined \$5 and costs for intoxication, which they paid. Curtis H. Aseltine, who was held on charges of breach of the peace and assault, was held for appearance in county court on question as to his mental condition. Aseltine was arrested following a quarrel over some hens. It was charged that he shot at Mrs. Edna Hazard in the altercation, but Aseltine maintains that he fired the revolver into the ground.

## ROOSEVELT FEELS WEARY

And Goes to Oyster Bay for a Brief Respite from Speech Making.

New York, Oct. 18.—Tired out, ex-President Roosevelt returned to-day from Troy, and immediately went to Oyster Bay, where he will rest for a couple of days and get his throat in shape for further speech-making.

## THREATENED TO VETO BILL

Gov. Mead Didn't Like Reading of Lamoille County Seat Bill

## IT WAS RECALLED TODAY

Executive Told Its Friends That He Opposed the Part Relating to Bond Exemption—Grist of Bills Introduced To-day.

The third week of the session of the Vermont general assembly opened this morning with a full attendance in both branches. The members, the majority of whom spent Sunday at their homes, appeared refreshed with the change, and the House this morning went at its work with a vim that cleaned up everything in sight in less than an hour. There was nothing for the Senate to do, and after a proper period of sitting around and looking wise they adjourned.

House bill No. 1, the bill to allow Lamoille county to rebuild its burned county buildings, is having a rather stormy time on its way to become a law. It was this morning recalled by the Senate from the House and by that body from the governor, the means being taken to avoid a veto, as the governor is not satisfied that a provision in the bill, exempting from taxation the bonds which will be issued by the county from taxation, should become a law.

The governor also objected to some interjections in the bill, on the ground that they were not made so he could be absolutely sure that day on which the governor could veto the bill, which came into his possession on Friday, and he stated to those interested that he would do so unless the bill was recalled and amended. It is evident from this that a bill must be carefully drawn to get by the governor, as he was, in this case, aware of the urgency of haste in getting the bill into law.

In the Senate, Senator Gordon introduced a resolution requiring all proposals of amendment to the state constitution to be referred to the Senate committee on proposals of amendment.

In the House, Mr. Brownson of Hardwick introduced a joint resolution protesting against any change in the federal oleomargarine law. Mr. Habbitt of Rockingham introduced two resolutions of sympathy with the people of Fairlee, and the other on the death of Larkin G. Meade, the sculptor.

## New Bills in the House.

The following bills were introduced in the House to-day: By Mr. Webster of Swanton, an amendment of section 1096 of the public statutes, relating to debts exempt from trustee process; saves \$10 to the debtor in any event. By Mr. Claffee of Rutland, amending chapter 208 of the public statutes, relating to the regulations of trade and the inspection of weights and measures; the governor to appoint a commissioner of weights and measures at a salary not to exceed \$2,000 and necessary expenses; also provides for inspectors of the United States to be the standard in this state; standards to be corrected as often as once in five years.

By Mr. Clark of Morrisville, relating to the bounty on porcupines; fixes bounty at 50 cents.

By Mr. Howe of Bennington, amending No. 143 of the acts of 1908, relating to the close season for certain kinds of game fish; makes the season for trout, salmon or long fin begin April 15.

By Mr. Darr of Springfield, to appropriate a certain sum for the support of the soldiers' home—\$30,000 during 1911 and 1912.

By Mr. Darr of Springfield, to amend section 1 of No. 180, acts of 1884, entitled, "An act to incorporate the trustees of the soldiers' home in Vermont." Provides that at least ten of the trustees shall be members of the G. A. R.

By Mr. Wells of Warrenton, to amend section 3032 of the public statutes, relating to marriage. Marriages may be performed by clergy not licensed to preach.

By Mr. Wright of Westminster, to amend section 70 of the public statutes, relating to the killing of deer. Permits the killing of deer at any time when deer are found destroying or injuring fruit trees or crops.

By Mr. Elliot of Hartford, to amend section 3 of act 176, laws of 1908, entitled, "An act relating to commitments for misdemeanors." Provides when removal is to the house of correction the state shall reimburse the town for such expense.

By Mr. Stafford of Brattleboro, to amend No. 132 of the acts of 1908, relating to the location of licensed places. If the town contains no incorporated village, no license shall be granted at a point nearer the state line than two miles.

By Mr. Briggs of Searsburg, to amend section 70 of the public statutes, relating to the residence of voters. Provides that residence shall be where his family resides, or where he is legally assessed for taxes.

By Mr. Calderwood of St. Johnsbury, in amendment of and in addition to No. 128 of the acts of 1874, entitled, "An act to incorporate E. T. Fairbanks Co." Permits company to hold, vote or dispose of stock of St. Johnsbury Aqueduct Co. and to hold, vote or dispose of any other stock now owned.

Permits the company to guarantee the principal and interest of the bonds of the Canadian branch, not exceeding \$300,000, and to guarantee dividends on not to exceed \$300,000 of the capital stock of the Canadian branch.

By Mr. Stafford of Brattleboro, relating to expenditures for political purposes. Prohibits use of money or influence at a caucus, the hiring of transportation to get voters to a caucus for the nomination or election of delegates; fixes fee of \$100.

By Mr. Whitney of Marlboro, in amendment of section 523 of the public statutes, relating to dog licenses. Fixes fees for male and spayed dogs at \$2 and \$10 for each female dog.

By Mr. Chapman of Windham, to amend section 636 of the public statutes, relating to the sale of land for taxes. Fixes time for sale 30 days after said lands have been sold.

By Mr. Howe of Whitewater, in amendment of 4506 of the public statutes, relating to hearings held by the public service commission. One commissioner may prosecute any inquiry or hold hearing into any matter within his jurisdiction, except hearings on rates and land damages.

By Mr. Roy of Barre, to amend section 3037 of the public statutes, relating to the duties of road commissioner. Road commissioner, instead of selectmen, shall cause cutting of trees and brush.

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By Mr. Bryant of Ludlow, empowering the public service commission to establish a code of demurrage rules, uniform with other states.

By Mr. Martin of Brookline, to amend sections 1464, 1469, 1471 and 1474 of the public statutes, relating to the summoning of grand and petit jurors. Eighteen judicious men from each county to be chosen by judges of the county court to serve as grand jurors. Petit jurors to be drawn at such time as the court shall direct, by such notice as the court directs.

This afternoon was mainly devoted to the election of a United States senator to succeed Senator C. S. Page. There being no opposition, it was chiefly interesting from the point of seeing who could throw the choicest bouquets at Mr. Page.

He was placed in nomination in the House by Mr. Shaw of Stowe, a service that it is understood the attempt to get the member from Ludlow to town to perform for him. That is his son, R. S. Page. In the Senate, the duty fell to Senator Pike of Lamoille county. To-morrow at high noon a joint assembly will be held to complete the election, as required by the federal law.

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## WARREN ASSAULT CASE

Is Being Tried in Washington County Court To-day.

The trial of the case of Alice V. Austin vs. Albert Tucker and Mrs. Laura Stoddard for assault and battery was taken up in Washington county court to-day following its start yesterday afternoon on the re-convening of court. The case comes from the town of Waterville. The trouble arose over the attempt to lay a water pipe across the property of the plaintiff's mother, and the plaintiff, it is claimed, objected to the ploughing of a furrow across her mother's yard, standing in front of the team to block further progress.

It is alleged that the defendant, Tucker, who is a son-in-law of Mrs. Stoddard, whipped up the horses and that one of them struck Miss Austin in the knee so that she was confined to the bed for a couple of weeks and was incapacitated for work for about three months.

## VERMONT HORSE DRIVER FINED

At Opening Day's Racing at Hillgrove, R. I., Yesterday.

Hillgrove, R. I., Oct. 18.—The autumn light harness meeting, for a period of two weeks, opened successfully here yesterday afternoon and the 500 people, witnessed some thrilling horse racing. The 2:15 pace proved the feature of the two events on the card, and both were carried over until to-day, after three extra heats had failed to develop a winner.

S. Rodney of Nashua, N. H., and Dudley, driving Ross Barker, owned by L. O. Allen of Middlebury, Vt., were fined \$25 each for foul driving and suspended from all association tracks until the fines have been paid, by the judges, following the fourth heat in the 2:18 pace.

Short Order, owned by D. H. Mulehey, Northampton, Mass., was a strong favorite and made the going in every heat which was a horse race from start to finish. In the best of the favorite went away in the pole position on the first turn Rodney brought Altimus in close and crowded Hayden against the fence so hard that he came almost to a standstill, according to the protest made by Hayden to the judges, which they sustained.

Dudley also came in too close, and reserving their decision until the afternoon program, Ross Barker, completed, Starting Judge Chester F. Pike of Windsor, Vt., announced the penalties.

## STORE ROBBED.

Middlebury Fruit Dealer Was the Loser Last Night.

Middlebury, Oct. 18.—The fruit store of Joseph Talver was broken into last night and cash amounting to \$5 was taken from the register and \$3 in change which had been left in another money draw in the rear of the store. Entrance was gained by throwing a large stone through a plate glass window in the front of the building, the stone being found on the floor of the store. It is thought that the work was done by some one acquainted with the conditions of the store as the draw in the rear of the store was in an out of the way place beneath a counter. The electric light bulbs which light the front of the building on the outside had been stolen several times lately and by reason of this the store was not light at all during the night.

## DEATH AT ST. ALBANS.

Charles Henry Atwood, Former Merchant, Died Yesterday.

St. Albans, Oct. 18.—Charles Henry Atwood, aged 68 years, died at his home on Fairfield street yesterday morning at 6:30 o'clock after a two months' illness. Mr. Atwood was born in St. Albans October 1, 1842, a son of Victor and Charlotte (Barlow) Atwood. He was in the hardware business here for many years, having a store on Kingman street, May 24, 1882. Mr. Atwood married Mary Habbitt, who, with one daughter, Mrs. I. C. Howard, of this city, survives. The funeral will be held at the home of the deceased on Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock and the burial will be in the South Main street cemetery.

John A. Walker, who learned the printing business in the office of the Windsor Journal and later left the business for that of a shoemaker in Windsor, committed suicide by hanging in Concord, N. H., October 8. No reason is assigned for the act.

## ENGINE TOSSED

Jennie Shackett Badly Hurt at Middlebury

## RAN AHEAD OF THE TRAIN

She Had Just Alighted from the Train on the Way Home from York Beach, Me., When She Was Hit.

Middlebury, Oct. 18.—Miss Jennie Shackett, daughter of Paul Shackett of Weybridge,